## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

State of South Carolina
Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC)
Bureau of Air Quality (BAQ)
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## PROPOSED REISSUANCE OF THE GENERAL CONDITIONAL MAJOR OPERATING PERMIT FOR HOT MIX ASPHALT PLANTS (GCMP-03)

The purpose of a general permit is to cover a large number of facilities that have similar operations. Such permits limit a facility's potential to emit below major source thresholds for the Title V permit program and contain conditions to assure that these facilities are operated as non-major sources. DHEC is proposing to renew the general air pollution operating permit for the following:

Hot Mix Asphalt Plants: Hot Mix Asphalt Plants for purposes of this permit, is comprised as one or any combination of the following: Auxiliary heat (including hot oil heaters) with a heat input rate less than or equal to  $10 \times 10^6$  British Thermal Units (BTU) per hour, asphalt and fuel storage tanks, dryers, systems for screening, handling, storing, and weighing hot aggregates, systems for loading, transferring, and storing mineral filter, systems for mixing hot mix asphalt, and the loading, transfer, and storage systems associated with emission control systems. Soil remediation activities are not covered under this general permit.

DHEC has examined Hot Mix Asphalt Plants and has concluded that the general permit, as proposed, is consistent with state and federal air pollution regulations, including SC Regulation 61-62.5, 61-62.70, and the federal Clean Air Act.

Once a general permit is issued, any eligible facility may request inclusion under that permit. DHEC will maintain a list of those facilities that receive authorization to operate under a general permit.

Interested persons may review the materials drafted and maintained by DHEC in preparing this permit and submit written comments on the draft permit by September 30, 2006 to Lynda Fletcher at the above DHEC address. All comments received by September 30, 2006 will be considered when making a final decision regarding the draft permit. Where there is a significant amount of public interest, DHEC may hold a public hearing to receive additional comments. Public hearing requests should be made in writing to Lynda Fletcher at the above DHEC address or by e-mail at: fletchll@dhec.sc.gov. If a public hearing is requested and held, notice will be given in this publication thirty (30) days in advance. Requests for contested case hearings may be filed after a final decision has been made. Contested case information is available from the Office of General Counsel at the above DHEC address or by calling (803) 898-3350. Information relative to the draft permit will be made available for review through September 30, 2006 at the DHEC Columbia Office listed above.

The BAQ maintains a county-based mailing list of persons interested in receiving notification of BAQ public notice actions. If you would like to be added to this list, please submit a request with your name, address, and counties of interest to Donna Moye at the above DHEC address or email at moyedd@dhec.sc.gov. Information on permit decisions and hearing procedures is available by contacting DHEC at either address listed above. Copies of a draft permit or other related documents must be requested in writing at a \$.25 per page charge.

This public notice may be viewed through September 30, 2006 on DHEC's website at: <a href="http://www.scdhec.gov/eqc/baq/publicnote/html/eqpnbaq.asp">http://www.scdhec.gov/eqc/baq/publicnote/html/eqpnbaq.asp</a>

Please bring the foregoing to the attention of persons you know will be interested in this matter.